

ISST 3-19-2004 Call Summary

Team members present (P) and not present (NP):

(P) Brad Colman (team leader) – WFO Seattle
(P) Peter Manousos (backup team leader) – NCEP/HPC
(NP) Dan Baumgardt – WFO LaCrosse
(P) Mark Jackson – WFO Salt Lake City
(P) Steve Keighton – WFO Blacksburg
(NP) Andy Patrick – WFO Corpus Christi
(P) Eric Stevens – WFO Fairbanks
(P) Bill Ward – PRHQ
(P) Kevin Schrab (facilitator) – OST/PPD/PMB

Round Robin

Eric Stevens mentioned that Alaska Region started its ORD on March 15, 2004. All seems to be going pretty well so far. Bill Ward indicated that a test TCM tool for GFE has shown promise and is expected to be implemented in IFPS 16.

DGEX update

Background

Background information on DGEX can be found at:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/ost/ifps_sst/DGEX.html

Discussion

The DGEX evaluation is taking place from March 15, 2004 to April 15, 2004. Some of the early feedback on the DGEX is good. We are still working through some data delivery and display problems.

Verification Position Statement Paper

Background

The ISST is preparing a position statement paper on verification that can be delivered to the Digital Services Project Office (DSPO) Assessment Action Team.

Discussion

There was extended discussion of the draft paper. A second draft will be coordinated next week with the goal to submit it to the DSPO Assessment Action Team with two weeks.

Digital Services Forecast Process

Background

This is one of the high priority items on the ISST roadmap. The purpose of this exercise is to identify science and technical deficiencies in the current forecast process and make recommendations on solutions.

Discussion

The team discussed a draft on the factors impacting the digital forecast process. This paper (with introduction) will be distributed to all interested parties for comment within the next couple weeks. This paper will also be forwarded to the DSPO Action Teams.